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# GENEVA ROAD ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

NEWSLETTER - APRIL 2007



The first public meeting for the Geneva Road EIS was held March 13, 2007, at Vineyard Elementary School. Over 130 community members attended the meeting and 90 comments have been received through the public meeting, internet, hotline, and mail, since the beginning of the project. Below is a brief summary of residents' opinions and concerns, which we received from questions we asked during the first public meeting.

## How do you use Geneva Road?

Work, Home, Shopping, School, Church, Biking, Provo River Trail Access, I-15 Access, etc.

## When do you use Geneva Road?

All times of the day

## What transportation problems do you encounter while using Geneva Road?

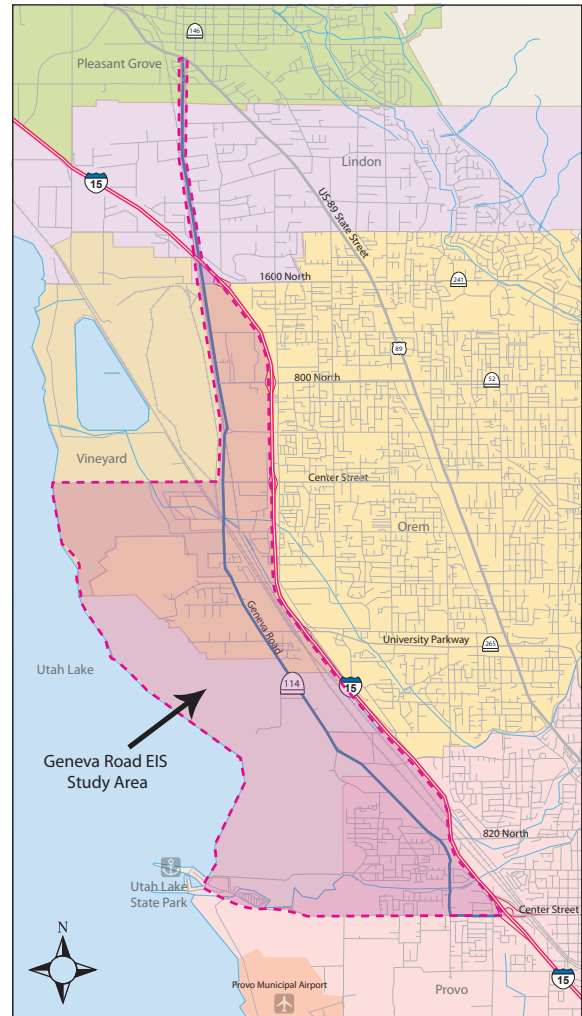
- Heavy traffic on Geneva Road
- Difficult to access Geneva Road from driveways or unsignalized intersections
- Difficult to make left turns from Geneva Road
- No turn lanes or shoulders cause traffic to backup on Geneva Road when cars slow to make right or left turns
- Sharp curve at 400 North in Orem
- No sidewalks or bicycle lanes
- Added traffic on Geneva Road when I-15 is congested
- Speeds are too high on Geneva Road
- Railroad crossing at 400 South in Orem can block Geneva Road for 20 minutes, causing backup along the road

## What solutions do you think would resolve any transportation problems you have identified?

- Widen Geneva Road
- Build a new road in a new location
- Straighten curvature at 400 North in Orem
- Add more traffic signals
- Add sidewalk and a bicycle lane
- Lower the speed limit
- Build a bridge over the railroad crossing at 400 South in Orem

## What concerns do you have regarding the proposed Geneva Road project?

- Loss of property/relocation
- Increase in noise
- Alternate routes during construction
- Historic Sites



## Any additional comments, suggestions, or useful information you may have.

- Trees in median/parkstrip
- Keep the residential feel of Geneva Road
- Concerned about emergency vehicle access
- Hurry up and make the roadway improvements

## THE GENEVA ROAD PROJECT TEAM WILL USE YOUR COMMENTS TO:

- Understand the day-to-day concerns and problems on Geneva Road and the surrounding area
- Begin developing alternatives
- Identify needs to be included in the Geneva Road EIS Purpose and Need
- Develop alternatives that will help to resolve resident/driver concerns

## PROJECT UPDATE

### DRAFT PROJECT PURPOSE

- Accommodate regional and local traffic demand for north-south travel
- Improve safety of Geneva Road by correcting design deficiencies
- Enhance opportunities to incorporate intermodal facilities along Geneva Road, including trails, mass transit, etc.

### PROPERTY ACCESS MAY BE NEEDED

- UDOT and its consultants may need to enter your property to conduct environmental surveys (including wetland delineations, inventories of historic structures, etc.) in accordance with Utah Statute 78-34-5 of the State Code
- Property access will be needed intermittently over the next year and surveys will be conducted between 7:00 AM and 7:00 PM
- For questions or comments about this please contact the project team

### WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS IN THE EIS PROCESS?

- Finalize the Geneva Road EIS Purpose and Need
- Begin developing alternatives
- Identify the existing environmental conditions (including wetlands, historic structures, social conditions, etc.)
- Continue public involvement

### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Public Meeting #2 - June 2007

- View the Geneva Road EIS Purpose and Need
- View the alternatives developed by the project team
- Bring ideas for additional alternatives to be considered



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